

Subjects and Verbs B

- 1b.** The **subject** tells *whom* or *what* the sentence is about.
- 1e.** The **simple predicate**, or **verb**, is the main word or word group that tells something about the subject.
- 1f.** A **compound subject** consists of two or more subjects that are joined by a conjunction and that have the same verb.
- 1g.** A **compound verb** consists of two or more verbs that are joined by a conjunction and that have the same subject.

EXERCISE In each of the following sentences, underline the subject once and the verb twice. Then, on the line provided, write CV if the verb is a compound verb, CS if the subject is a compound subject, or CV, CS if both the subject and the verb are compound. Write *N* if neither is compound.

Example CS 1. My mother and brother want a new puppy.

- _____ 1. Have you or Kimberly found your tap shoes yet?
- _____ 2. Alec or James will wash and dry the dishes after dinner tonight.
- _____ 3. In my school, both the Spanish club and the German club have at least twenty members.
- _____ 4. Where are the batteries for this flashlight?
- _____ 5. At the end of the school year, we will either take a class trip or have a party.
- _____ 6. She added the numbers and then checked the answer.
- _____ 7. Neither Steve nor Katya borrowed that book.
- _____ 8. Andrés and Clarence searched the room and looked on all the shelves.
- _____ 9. You should wear sturdy shoes and pack a raincoat.
- _____ 10. Are you expecting rain during the hike?
- _____ 11. The newspaper and the radio carried stories about the weather.
- _____ 12. Fog and rain are expected this afternoon.
- _____ 13. We could cancel the hike and meet at the museum.
- _____ 14. The new exhibit about Egypt is open and should be interesting.
- _____ 15. Do you and your sister take the bus or walk to school?
- _____ 16. We usually take the bus in the morning and walk home in the afternoon.
- _____ 17. She has band practice and works in the library after school.
- _____ 18. My friend Nita and I belong to several of the same clubs.
- _____ 19. Nita walks home with my sister and me on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- _____ 20. Either Max or his brother Sam rented a boat and went fishing last summer.